

TRANSITIONAL EXPENSE ADJUSTMENT

§ 36.641 Transition.

(a) The expense adjustment for 1993 and subsequent years shall be the amount computed in accordance with § 36.631.

(b) The expense adjustments for 1988 through 1992 shall be as follows:

(1) Three-eighths of the amount computed in accordance with § 36.631 in 1988;

(2) One-half of the amount computed in accordance with § 36.631 in 1989;

(3) Five-eighths of the amount computed in accordance with § 36.631 in 1990;

(4) Three-quarters of the amount computed in accordance with § 36.631 in 1991; and

(5) Seven-eighths of the amount computed in accordance with § 36.631 in 1992.

Subpart G—Lifeline Connection Assistance Expense Allocation**§ 36.701 General.**

(a) The Lifeline Connection Assistance Expense portion of the interstate apportionment shall consist of an expense adjustment computed in accordance with this subpart. The expense adjustment will be added to interstate expenses and deducted from state expenses for eligible study areas as defined in this subpart after all other steps required by this part have been completed.

(b) The expense adjustment will be computed as provided in § 36.741.

(c) This subpart shall be effective through December 31, 1997. On January 1, 1998, Lifeline Connection Assistance shall be provided in accordance with part 54, subpart E of this chapter.

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DEFINITIONS

§ 36.711 Lifeline connection assistance.

(a) For purposes of this subpart, Lifeline Connection Assistance shall describe the following lifeline telephone assistance for eligible residential subscribers as defined in § 36.711 (b) and (c):

(1) A reduction in the charges for commencing telephone service assessed

for a single telephone line per household at the principal place of residence; and/or

(2) A deferred schedule for payment of the charges assessed for commencing service, for which the telephone company does not charge interest.

(b) In order to be eligible for assistance when income is verified, a residential subscriber must:

(1) Meet the requirements of a state established income test; and

(2) Not be a dependent for federal income tax purposes as defined in 26 U.S.C. Section 152 (1986) unless the subscriber is more than 60 years of age.

(c) In order to be eligible for assistance when income is not verified, a residential subscriber must meet the eligibility criteria in § 36.711 (b)(1) and (b)(2) and:

(1) Have lived at an address where there has been no telephone service for at least three months immediately prior to the date that the assistance described in § 36.711 (a)(1) and/or (a)(2) is requested from the telephone company; and

(2) Not have received assistance pursuant to § 36.711 (a)(1) and/or (a)(2) within the last two years, with receipt of such assistance to be measured from the date of initiation of the telephone service for which assistance was provided.

(d) Charges assessed for commencing service include any state tariffed charges levied for connecting a subscriber to the network. These charges do not include security deposit requirements.

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TELEPHONE COMPANY ELIGIBILITY

§ 36.721 Telephone company eligibility for lifeline connection assistance expense allocation.

(a) In order to be entitled to the additional interstate expense adjustment described in this subpart a telephone company:

(1) Must provide Lifeline Connection Assistance as defined in § 36.711 (a)(1) and/or (a)(2) to eligible subscribers as defined in § 36.711 (b) or (c);